GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND RURAL AND AGRO INDUSTR
LOK SABHA

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CHECK ON MIGRATION FROM RURAL TO URBAN AREAS
GORDHANBHAI JAVIA

Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND RURAL AND AGRO INDUSTR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are formulating any plan to ensure availability of employment to poor farmers at the village level so as to check their migration from the rural areas to the urban areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGF RURAL INDUSTRIES (SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a) to (c): No, Sir. However, under the Rural Employment Generation Programme (REGP) of the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), financial assistance in the form of margin money is given at the rate of 25% of the project cost upto Rs. 10 lakhs and an additional 10% for projects costing between Rs. 10 lakhs to Rs. 25 lakhs. For weaker sections, margin money is given at the rate of 30% of the project cost upto Rs. 10 lakhs and 10% for the balance amount (upto Rs. 25 lakhs).